

tion of causing their destruction should the Japanese enter the city.

The houses formerly occupied by Vice-roy Alexieff was hit by a shell recently and partially wrecked. Ammunition is growing scarce, but there is plenty of bread. The price of flour is now nine roubles. Another shell struck a destroyer which was lying in dock undergoing repairs, exploded at its muzzle and killed seven sailors. This shell came from the Japanese fleet which comes in much closer than formerly daily, throwing a few shells.

One shell demolished several engines in the dock yards and killed an officer and two men.

The fort which the Japanese captured is not regarded as essential to the defense of Port Arthur, although it is obvious there will be some disadvantage from its occupation, as the Japanese are constantly receiving heavy guns from Japan to which the Russians are unable to reply effectively. A month ago the Golden Hill batteries threatened Shushen. Now, the Chinese say, the shells fall far short of that point.



DERBY TIME.

It's all off now with straw— it's time for the New Fall Hat. The world's best—Dunlap—are here, in Derbys, Fedoras, Silks, Operas and Tuxedos. Others, of course, from \$1.00 up, and the best to be had at their prices.

A hat to suit your features and physique is assured if you come to us. Pursey, too.



JEFFERSON'S DAY FOR INAUGURATION

Increased Matriculation on Opening Day at the University.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA, VA., Sept. 16.—When the matriculation books closed this afternoon 361 students had enrolled. This is twenty-three ahead of the corresponding day of last year, and sixty-three in advance of the next highest number for the same day of any other year in the history of the institution. Today's matriculants included a son of John Sharp Williams, Richard Croker, Jr., of New York, who has with him his sister, who will spend some time in this section, and the sons of two Kentucky congressmen. Indications are that the total will go past three hundred.

Considerable surprise was created when it was learned to-day that Professor Thomas Fitzhugh, of the school of Latin, had on account of indisposition tendered his resignation to the board of visitors, to take effect at the beginning of the year. His confidence in Professor Fitzhugh and requested him to withdraw his resignation. A month's vacation was granted the popular Latin teacher, at the end of which time it is hoped he will be sufficiently improved to re-enter upon his duties.

Upon the recommendation of the president, Dr. James Morris Page was made dean of the academy department, Dr. Page, who is a member of the faculty, is expected that the board, the faculty and the alumni will all be satisfied.

Jefferson's birthday, April 13th next, was fixed by the board as the date of the formal inauguration of Dr. Alderman as president of the University. The exercises, which will be quite elaborate, it is expected that the board, the faculty and the alumni will all be satisfied.

DEFENCE OF THE ACCUSED HUSBAND

Attorney Curry Declares They Were an Affectionate, Devoted Couple.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

STANTON, VA., Sept. 16.—Your correspondent called on Mr. Charles Curry, a prominent criminal lawyer of this bar, to-day, and asked him if it was a fact, as the papers had stated, that he had been retained to prosecute J. Samuel McCue, who is charged with murdering his wife, Mrs. McCue, at Chester, Va. Mr. Curry stated that he had not been retained to assist in the prosecution of J. Samuel McCue. He said that he had been approached by some of the friends of Mrs. McCue, and he advised them to take no part in the prosecution.

He says that he knew the McCues well and believed they were a devoted couple; that Mr. McCue was most attentive to his wife and certainly provided for her most liberally, and about a year ago made a large settlement of property on her, and Mrs. McCue, in a recent visit to Stanton, spoke to one of her friends in the most affectionate terms of her husband, and she said the best of men for a husband.

ARE CALLED UPON FOR CONTRIBUTIONS

Government Employees From Iowa Receive Circular From Republican Committee.

(From Our Regular Correspondent.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., September 16.—The attention of the Congressional Committee was called to-day to what is believed to be a gross violation or attempted violation of the civil service laws. Every government employee from Iowa at work in the departments in this city has received a circular letter from one H. H. Spence, chairman of the Iowa Republican Central Committee, asking him to make a contribution to the State campaign fund of 3 per cent. of the salary he receives. Secretary Edwards was given a copy of the circular, and it is believed that the Republican party in Iowa is in great need of funds, and asks the officeholder, as one of the beneficiaries of the party, to make a contribution to aid in carrying the State for the Republican ticket.

The circular, which is not printed, but filled in with a type-writer. In each case it is fixed at 3 per cent. of the annual salary.

"It is an outrage," said Chairman Cowherd, of the Democratic Congressional Committee. "I shall call the attention of the committee to the circular. I hope to have the commission take steps to prevent the assessment of officeholders for campaign purposes."

It is estimated that the Republicans of other States are trying to assess officeholders here for purposes of the campaign. The Civil Service Commission issued a circular a few days ago, cautioning civil service employees of the government against making campaign contributions.

The Lost Aeronaut.

A life of Andre is to be issued by the Geographical Society of Stockholm, of which he was a prominent member. He was well known, not only as an aeronaut, but as a meteorologist, and his personal qualities endeared him to a number of friends, his letters to whom are to be embodied in the biography.

MUCH DAMAGE HIS FIRST MESSAGE

Vessel Stranded and Fishing Traps Washed Away.

RANDALL STEAMER ON A BAR

Fine Orchards in King George Torn Up by the Roots—No Mails Received.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) COMORIN, VA., September 16.—Authentic reports received here to-day are to the effect that Wednesday night's storm wrought great havoc along the Potomac. Many of the fishermen are suddenly ruined. Immense stake nets and traps, in which all their hard-earned money was invested a few weeks ago, were torn up and swept away by the merciless gale. Captain Hall's splendid vessel, which arrived and cast anchor at Chatterton landing, near here, Wednesday, was driven four or five miles down the river and cast up on the beach, and it is said to-day that the craft is broken in two.

STEAMER ASHORE.

One of the Randall steamboats is still hauled fast on a sand bar near Maryland Point light-house, where the storm drove it Wednesday night. The storm was the most violent ever known in this section, not excepting the memorable hurricane on the night of September 30, 1836, and a number of fishermen and other watermen will hardly ever recover from the damage wrought by it.

Stacks of fodder and a great deal of corn were blown hundreds of yards, and some of the best orchards in this section were ruined.

Trees laden with apples were blown up by the roots, and all the trees that survived are stripped of apples. In some orchards, not a bush of apples remain on the trees to-day.

The doors of dwellings were blown open and the locks broken into pieces. In some places the public roads are blocked by fallen trees. This rain was the first here of any consequence since some time in July.

NO MAILS.

Up to the time of this writing, 11 A. M., there has been no mail here from Fredericksburg since Tuesday, and the people of King George and the counties below, who are so inconvenienced by this failure of the carrier to make the trips. It was said that high water prevented the arrival of the mail on Wednesday. A telephone message received by King George Courthouse last evening stated that the mail from Fredericksburg could not come to King George yesterday because of washouts in the roads.

The people, whose business suffers incalculably by such irregularities, do not consider "guilted roads" a good and sufficient excuse for a failure to bring the mails. It is an outrage upon the people to be deprived of mail facilities several days in succession, and because the roads are galled or the runs high, important specials for daily papers and other mail matter of importance have been laying in the postoffice here since Wednesday, with no way of forwarding it when the mail carrier from Fredericksburg fails to make the trips.

The opposition steamboat "Pocanoke," which made its first trip on the Potomac one day last week, is currently reported to be taken up by the river, and it will be taken off the river permanently. The people have been extremely anxious for an opposition boat, and the rumor that the "Pocanoke" is being taken up has caused a great deal of very general regret.

Mr. Frank S. Fitzhugh, of this county, has been appointed to a position on the government light-house at Cherrystone, off Northampton county.

BARGES ADRIPT.

Hardships of Tug Crew—Man Washed Overboard and Lost.

(By Associated Press.)

NORFOLK, VA., September 16.—After losing two of the three barges she was towing from Boston to Chesapeake, the tug "Merrell" was crew washed overboard and drowned and nearly foundering in her efforts to rescue him, the tug "Merrell" of the Boston and Baltimore Tugboat Company, limped into port to-night with the large Camden.

The other two barges with their crews were men and women on the ocean, if they weathered Thursday morning's gale. The "Merrell" took on coal near immediately after coming in and at once put out in search of the missing barges.

The disaster occurred fifty miles south-east of Barnegat. The tug and barges were struck by the gale at 6:30 Thursday morning. The Camden was next to the tug and the other barges were astern. All the vessels shipped seas continually, and Captain A. C. Smith, of the "Merrell," says it looked as if the entire convoy was foundering. The Camden was next to the tug and the other barges were astern. All the vessels shipped seas continually, and Captain A. C. Smith, of the "Merrell," says it looked as if the entire convoy was foundering. The Camden was next to the tug and the other barges were astern. All the vessels shipped seas continually, and Captain A. C. Smith, of the "Merrell," says it looked as if the entire convoy was foundering.

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The barges were loaded with iron ore, and when last seen were being blown to sea in the northeast storm.

Property Transfers.

Richmond: H. B. Ellington and wife to Charles R. Guy, interest in 20 feet on the south line of Monument Avenue, 94 feet east of Meadow Street, \$1,275.

G. C. Leary, Jr., and wife to Alice, Lou T. and Julius T. Leigh, 30 feet on the north line of Main Street, 27 feet west of Jefferson Street, and personally to the premises, \$5.

Abner S. Pope to Mary E. Leahy, 21 feet on the south line of Green Street, 26 feet west of Lombardy Street, \$2,250.

Henric P. M. Boxley to Augustus Williams, 15 feet on the south line of Belmont Street, between Twentieth-sixth and Twenty-seventh Streets, \$100.

Jacob S. Dill and wife, to Benjamin J. Thompson, 30 feet on the west line of Twenty-third Street, northwest corner of B. Street, \$1,800.

E. J. and Mattie E. Hare to Francis J. and Ellen S. Osborne, 7 1/2 acres in lower end of Henrico county, near Williams Church, subject to deed of trust for \$14,800.

John Skelton Williams and wife to Charles Maase, 41 600 acres known as "River View," \$5.

HIS FIRST MESSAGE

Mayor Riddick Preparing Communication to the Council.

JAMESTOWN AT ST. LOUIS

Gen. Lee and Other Officials to Remove Many St. Louis Concessions to Show at Norfolk.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) NORFOLK, VA., September 16.—For the first time since his induction into office, over two years ago, Mayor James G. Riddick is to submit a message to the Council. He did not communicate his views to the Council in office during his first term on account of the hostility between the political factions of the city; the Council being lined up against the Mayor. Now that the "administrationists" are in the majority, Mayor Riddick is assiduously working upon his message, which is awaited with interest by both factions.

General Fitzhugh Lee and other officers of the Jamestown Exposition, will leave here Tuesday to attend the Virginia Day exercises at the St. Louis Fair, while at St. Louis efforts will be inaugurated toward having many of the concessions there hold their exhibits for the Jamestown show in 1907.

The Exposition management has appointed a committee to confer with a delegation of Presbyterian ministers who are seeking to have the Exposition Company offer the Hampden-Sydney College indentments to move the college to the Exposition grounds.

SENTENCED FOR MURDER.

Jefferson Jones, charged with the murder of his father-in-law, John J. Morgan, in Portsmouth, has been found guilty of involuntary manslaughter, the jury fixing his punishment at ninety days in the Portsmouth jail.

The question whether the Suffolk baseball team is a better aggregation than the Norfolk nine will probably not be decided this year. During the past season the teams had arranged to play a series of five games, and it was generally understood that in the event of a tie the game would be played on neutral ground.

A BOY'S DISGRACE.

Sent to Grand Jury for Robbing Registered Mail.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) NEWPORT NEWS, VA., September 16.—United States Commissioner A. C. Garret, to-day held for the grand jury Raymond Lee, the sixteen-year-old boy who was arrested yesterday on the charge of robbing the mail. After the trial United States Deputy Marshal West took charge of the prisoner and carried him to Norfolk, where he will be held in jail awaiting the disposal of his case by the Federal grand jury.

The hearing to-day was a very brief affair, for the boy admitted his guilt and frankly told again the story of how he opened a registered letter containing \$20, took the money and went on a trip to St. Louis. The letter was mailed by Captain B. P. McIlroy, of the steamer Pine Beach, to his sister-in-law, at Scranton, N. C.

The boy told his story with a smiling face, and did not seem to realize the gravity of the offense he had committed. His father, who sent \$10 to Captain McIlroy when the boy confessed his guilt, is seriously ill at his home in Pine Beach, and has been unable to come to the hearing.

George E. Rogers, a negro musician, was shot and dangerously wounded at the corner of Twenty-second Street and Madison Avenue last night. The negro was standing with a party of friends at the time, and all seemed to be in a jovial mood, when he was shot from the rear by a man who was carrying a pistol with an empty chamber was found on the pavement near by the police. The officers are inclined to believe that the weapon fell from Rogers' pocket and was discharged when it struck the pavement. The negro, however, strenuously denied that this was the case.

CLARKSVILLE BRIDGE.

Four Routes Being Surveyed From Roanoke to Tidewater.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) BOYDTON, VA., Sept. 16.—The building of the bridge across Roanoke River at Clarksville is now an established fact, as already the material is at the river and the contractors are busily engaged putting up the bridge.

It would be difficult to compute in dollars and cents the value this new enterprise will be to Clarksville. The people of that town are to be congratulated on this great work, which has cost a large sum of money, and the work has been done under many difficulties.

The bridge is built at the intersection of the Dan and Staunton Rivers, and at this point the river is about a quarter of a mile wide.

A surveying party in charge of Mr. J. H. Graham reached here yesterday and is surveying a route through Mecklenburg for the proposed bridge. The new railroad contemplates running a line from Roanoke to tide water. Mr. Graham has nineteen in his party. He informed this morning that the Tidewater Railroad was having four routes surveyed, and will select the best one after the surveys are completed.

FRANKLIN ELOPEMENT.

Just One Year Ago Bride's Sister Took the Same Step.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) ROANOKE, VA., September 16.—Miss Mary Hale, daughter of Mr. John Hale, a prominent miller of Calloways, Franklin county, eloped with William Henry Prillman, a young farmer to Winston yesterday, and was married. The father, who was very much opposed to the marriage, went to Rocky Mount, and the couple boarded the train at Fernum.

Just one year ago yesterday another daughter of Mr. Hale, Miss Alice, Prillman did not know that such was the case until reminded that on the same date a year before her sister eloped.

HAWCOCK'S LIQUID SULPHUR.

The Best Blood Purifier Known—Invaluable as a Wash.

Sulphur is nature's greatest germicide. Its value has been known for centuries, but it was never successfully produced as a liquid until the discovery of the method of making HAWCOCK'S LIQUID SULPHUR.

It is the best blood purifier known. It cures all skin diseases, such as eczema, itch, dandruff, prickly heat, disordered scalp, eruptions, scabies, and all inflammations and sores.

Ask your druggist for it, or write for booklet to Hancock's Liquid Sulphur Co., Baltimore, Md.

To-day Is The Day Uneeda Biscuit

5¢ NATIONAL BISCUIT COMPANY 5¢

FAILED BY A FRACTION

Major Delmar Three-Quarters of a Second Behind the World's Record.

STIFF BREEZE; HEAVY TRACK

Riding of W. Davis Feature of Day's Racing at Brighton Beach Track.

(By Associated Press.)

READSVILLE, MASS., September 16.—Major Delmar failed by three-quarters of a second to break the unpaired trotting record to-day at the Readville track, principally by reason of a somewhat heavy track and a stiff breeze that sprung up suddenly after the horse had started. When Major Delmar reached the three-quarters pole in 1:39 3/4, it looked as if the record would go, but the breeze on the track proved too much of a drag. The time was 1:39 3/4; 1:39 3/4; 1:39 3/4; 2:02 3/4. Summaries:

2:12 trot, purse \$1,000 (completed)—Alto L. won first, and third heats and race; Patches Held second heat, second; Invader, third; best time, 2:10 1/4.

2:08 trot, purse \$1,000—Jay McGregor won in two straight heats; Massette, second; Angolia, third; best time, 2:08 3/4.

2:04 pace, purse \$1,000—Nathan Strauss won in two straight heats; Gallagher, second; Albert, third; time, 2:06 1/4.

2:06 trot, purse \$1,000—John Caldwell, won first, second and fourth heats and race; Kyrie, third heat, second; Free Silver, third; best time, 2:12 3/4.

2:10 trot, purse \$1,000—John Taylor won second and third heats and race; Knox's Gelatine King, first heat, second; Norrie, third; best time, 2:09 1/4.

Riding of Davis.

NEW YORK, Sept. 16.—The feature of the racing at Brighton Beach to-day was the riding by W. Davis. Out of six mounts he rode four winners, his other two mounts finishing outside of the money. In his ride on Dekster in the fourth race he appeared to be beaten at the head of the stretch, but gradually made up his ground and beat the heavily played second choice, Ostich, by a head.

Summaries:

First race—selling, six furlongs—Fleur du Marle (4 to 1) first, Furkman (9 to 1) second, Confessor (20 to 1) third. Time, 1:24 1/5.

Second race—one mile and a sixteenth—Jocund (1 to 2) first, Brooklynite (15 to 1) second, Wotan (7 to 2) third. Time, 1:46 4/5.

Third race—six furlongs—Castellan (13 to 1) first, Counterpoise (7 to 2) second, Lihria (5 to 1) third. Time, 1:13 4/5.

Fourth race—mile and a furlong—Dekster (6 to 1) first, Ostich (3 to 1) second, Hurstbourne (6 to 5) third. Time, 1:52 3/5.

Fifth race—selling, one mile and a quarter—The Southerner (3 to 2) first, Stolen Moments (5 to 1) second, Ed. Crony (4 to 1) third. Time, 2:03 3/5.

Sixth race—five and a half furlongs—Linda Lee (15 to 1) first, Santa Catalina (5 to 2) second, Raiment (6 to 1) third. Time, 1:07 3/5.

BAZAAR GOES MERRILY ON

Large Crowds and Big Times Features of Fair at Armory.

The continued success of the Sacred Heart bazaar, which opened on Monday night at the regimental armory, is more than gratifying to those interested in the enterprise and each night the drill hall hums with merriment.

Yesterday afternoon the children of St. Joseph's Academy and the Sacred Heart School, of this city, were tendered a matinee, which was greatly enjoyed by the little ones, and when the time for home-going arrived, many of them lingered lest they should miss a trick.

The children were delightfully entertained by Mr. Swartzschild and Miss Eleanor McCready. The former rendered several songs, which pleased the children beyond measure and the recitation of Miss McCready also was the source of much enjoyment.

Last night was Shriners night and quite a large crowd was on hand. During the evening a most delightful musical programme was rendered. The floral drill by Miss Della Waldron was exceedingly pretty as was the delectable drill

and baby song. The young ladies who participated in the dances were pupils of Miss Waldron's dancing class. They were accompanied by Miss Mary Shaughnessy.

To-night will be set aside for the Hep-tasopis and a great time is anticipated as many of the raffish will be drawn and a splendid programme has been arranged.

GOVERNOR PLEASED.

Was Given Cordial Reception in Lynchburg and Met Old Friends.

Governor and Mrs. Montague returned from Lynchburg yesterday, having attended the meeting of the Grand Camp, C. V., there on Thursday. They were the guests of their friends, Dr. and Mrs. Terrell, and greatly enjoyed their trip. The people of the Hill City received his Excellency with the same degree of cordiality which always marks his visits there, and many of his old friends were unusually warm in their greetings. The Governor saw many of his personal and political friends from the surrounding counties, who had come to attend the reunion, and a large number of them, from both the city and country had him good cheer in his content for the United States Senate next year, and voluntarily tendered him their support. Upon his return here, the Governor found a large number of letters from out in the State, assuring him of the cordial support of the writers, and wishing him success in his campaign when it shall open up.

His Excellency disposed of the mail and some routine official matters, preparatory to leaving the city for St. Louis to-night.

Dr. Baker's Trial.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) TAREBORO, N. C., Sept. 16.—The trial of Dr. Baker for the shooting of Dr. Bass last March, came up at the Superior Court to-day before Judge Shaw. Dr. Bass was killed. No case has excited more interest in this section for years. They were both prominent physicians, and had a large number of friends and relatives. The case will occupy the balance of the term of the court.

The Supreme Court.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) STAUNTON, VA., Sept. 16.—In the Supreme Court to-day the case of Terry vs. McClung, from the Circuit Court of Highland county, was continued until the next term. Low Moor Iron Company vs. Charleston, Circuit Court of Craig, dismissed, Spangle vs. Boze, Circuit Court of Botetourt, continued until next term. Moore Lime Co. vs. Johnston, Circuit Court of Botetourt, argued and submitted.

Next case, Carter vs. Wood.

NATIONAL LEAGUE.

Scores Yesterday.

New York, 2-5; Brooklyn, 1-3.

Pittsburg at St. Louis.

Chicago, 3; Cincinnati, 2.

Where They Play To-day.

Pittsburg at St. Louis.

Cincinnati at Chicago.

New York at Brooklyn.

Boston at Philadelphia.

Standing of the Clubs.

Clubs. Won Lost P. C.

New York 31 .712

Chicago 25 .600

Pittsburg 22 .500

Cincinnati 17 .409

St. Louis 16 .370

Brooklyn 15 .341

Boston 14 .318

Philadelphia 9 .202

SOUTHERN LEAGUE.

Scores Yesterday.

At Atlanta: Atlanta, 4; Little Rock, 0.

At Nashville: Nashville, 2; New Orleans, 2.

At Montgomery: Memphis, 6; Montgomery, 0.

At Birmingham (First game): Birmingham, 6; Shreveport, 6.

(Second game): Birmingham, 2; Shreveport, 1.

Tale Telling Illegal.

Everybody knows, of course, that it is wrong to tell tales out of school. The Attorney-General of Kansas has improved on this old saying, and decided that it is also wrong to tell tales in school, and that a teacher has no legal right to compel a scholar to inform on another. Savannah News.

BIG BALL GAME THIS AFTERNOON

Barton Heights and Fulton Battle for the Twin City Championship.

The great ball game of the season will be played at Broad Street Park promptly at 4:30 o'clock this afternoon, when the Imperials and the Brownies will play for the Twin-City pennant.

There are but a few points difference in the standing of the clubs, and that is in favor of the Brownies. The result of to-day's game will probably decide the matter. Betting is in favor of the Brownies 2 to 1, but the Imperials are confident of taking the championship.

The first game to-day will be between Manchester and Richmond. This will be a hot game, as Manchester is anxious to get out Richmond from the lead. The season closes on October 1st. The game to-day between the Imperials and Brownies will be the last between these two clubs this season on the schedule plan.

All ladies will be admitted free to the games to-day.

Manager George Daily is arranging to play games here with Roanoke and Suffolk, two strong teams.

In the big games to-day Hulcher and Fitzpatrick will be the opposing twirlers.

DAY ON THE DIAMOND.

Results of Games Yesterday in the Big Leagues.

AMERICAN LEAGUE.

Scores Yesterday.

Washington, 5; Philadelphia, 3.

New York, 6-2; Boston, 4-1.

Chicago, 1; St. Louis, 0.

Detroit, 1-3; Cleveland, 0-2.

Where They Play To-day.

Philadelphia at Boston.

Detroit at Cleveland.

New York at Washington.

Chicago at St. Louis.

Standing of the Clubs.

Clubs. Won Lost P. C.

Boston 31 .614

New York 29 .583

Chicago 25 .500

Philadelphia 21 .419

Cleveland 19 .3